

## **South Dakota**POULTRY PRODUCTION AND VALUE

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## SOUTH DAKOTA POULTRY RECEIPTS MIXED

**SIOUX FALLS, April 28, 2000** – Value of egg production in South Dakota during 1999 was \$18.4 million, down 17 percent from the \$22.1 million in 1998, according to the USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. Producers received an average 37.3 cents per dozen, down 5.7 cents from the previous year. Egg production in 1999 was estimated at 592 million, down 26 million, or 4 percent, from the previous year.

South Dakota producers raised 4.2 million turkeys in 1999, up 0.4 million from 1998, an increase of 11 percent. The value of this production was \$47.8 million in 1999, up \$4.7 million from \$43.1 million in 1998. Pounds produced in 1999 totaled 136.5 million, up 11 percent from the 123.1 million pounds produced in 1998.

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